

**PATENT APPLICATION****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of

Isaai SHLIMAK et al.

Application No.: 09/887,014

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Accounting Div.  
Office of Finance

Docket No.: 109851

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR NON-CONTACT DETECTION OF EXTERNAL  
ELECTRIC OR MAGNETIC FIELDS**REQUEST FOR REFUND TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT**Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants filed a Request for Reconsideration along with a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time for the above-identified application on January 7, 2003. However, as of March 11, 2003, the Request has not been matched with the file.

M.P.E.P. §714.13 states "Any amendment timely filed after a final rejection should be immediately considered to determine whether it places the application in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal. An examiner is expected to turn in a response to an amendment after final rejection within 10 calendar days from the time the amendment is received by the examiner. A reply to an amendment after final rejection should be mailed within 30 days of the date the amendment is received by the Office."

Applicants submit that Applicant's January 7, 2003 Request for Reconsideration After Final Rejection was not given immediate consideration, as required by M.P.E.P. §714.13. Thus, Applicants were required, solely due to unreasonable Patent Office delay, to file a Notice of Appeal along with a three-month Petition for Extension of Time to avoid abandonment. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this charge be re-credited to Deposit Account No. 15-0461 and that the Patent Office acknowledge this credit in writing.

Respectfully submitted,

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